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Thank you all for hearing 170 today.

Senate Bill #170 would provide protection to the second in command of a police department. Most police officers are protected by either a collective bargaining agreement or state statute as is the case for a Chief of Police. Imagine working your entire career as a protected class employee, striving to be the best of the best, being recognized for your accomplishments, dedication, and hard work and receiving a promotion to the second in command of your agency. Only to find out that you could be terminated for any reason without protection. This small but deserving group of law enforcement professionals deserves the same protection as that of the Chief of Police and this is what SB 170 will accomplish.

I thank the committee for its time and urge the favorable passage of these two bills from your committee.

Very Truly Yours,